This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-2 (canceled).

1	Claim 3 (currently amended): An automatic gain control
2	circuit comprising:
3	a gain variable amplifier which controls an amplitude of
4	a receiving signal based on a control signal;
5	control signal generating means for level-detecting the
6	receiving signal, averaging the detected receiving
7	signal level for a predetermined time, and then
8	generating a feedback signal as the control signal
9	for the gain variable amplifier; and
10	controlling means for deciding at least one of a
11	generation timing of the control signal and a
12	generation period of the control signal in response
13	to a predetermined physical quantity, and
14	controlling the control signal generating means, An
15	automatic gain control circuit according to claim 1,
16	wherein the controlling means decides the generation
17	timing of the control signal or the generation
18	period of the control signal using a lapsed time in
19	operation of the automatic gain control circuit as
20	the predetermined physical quantity.

Claims 4-9 (canceled).

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Claim 10 (currently amended): An automatic gain control

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2	method in	a receiver device including a gain variable
3	amplifier	which controls an amplitude of a receiving signal
4	based on	a control signal, the method comprising:
5	a co	ntrol signal generating step of level-detecting the
6		receiving signal, averaging the detected receiving
7		signal over a predetermined period of time, and then
8		generating a feedback signal as the control signal
9		for the gain variable amplifier; and
10	a co	ntrolling step of deciding a generation timing of the
11		control signal or a generation period of the control
12		signal in response to a predetermined physical
13		quantity, An automatic gain control method in a
14		receiver device according to claim 9,
15	wher	ein the controlling step decides the generation
16		timing of the control signal or the generation
17	;	period of the control signal using a lapsed time in
18	. · · ·	operation of the receiver device as the
19		predetermined physical quantity.

Claims 11-15 (canceled).

1	Claim 16 (previously presented): An automatic gain
2	control circuit comprising:
3	a gain variable amplifier which controls an amplitude of
4	a receiving signal based on a control signal;
5	control signal generating means for level-detecting the
6	receiving signal and then generating a feedback
7	signal as the control signal for the gain variable
8	amplifier; and
9	controlling means for deciding at least one of a
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11 generation period of the control signal in response 12 to a predetermined physical quantity, and 13 controlling the control signal generating means, 14 wherein the controlling means decides the generation 15 timing of the control signal or the generation 16 period of the control signal using a lapsed time in 17 operation of the automatic gain control circuit as 18 the predetermined physical quantity.

Claim 17 (previously presented): An automatic gain control method in a receiver device including a gain variable amplifier which controls an amplitude of a receiving signal based on a control signal, the method comprising:

- a control signal generating step of level-detecting the receiving signal and then generating a feedback signal as the control signal for the gain variable amplifier; and
- a controlling step of deciding a generation timing of the control signal or a generation period of the control signal in response to a predetermined physical quantity,
- wherein the controlling step decides the generation timing of the control signal or the generation period of the control signal using a lapsed time in operation of the receiver device as the predetermined physical quantity.